

- (xi) Director of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services;
- (xii) Chief Financial Officer;
- (xiii) Regional Administrator, Region V, Federal Emergency Management Agency;
- (xiv) Regional Administrator, Region VI, Federal Emergency Management Agency;
- (xv) Regional Administrator, Region VII, Federal Emergency Management Agency;
- (xvi) Regional Administrator, Region IX, Federal Emergency Management Agency; and
- (xvii) Regional Administrator, Region I, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

“(b) Exceptions.

- (i) No individual who is serving in an office listed in subsection (a) in an acting capacity, by virtue of so serving, shall act as Secretary pursuant to this section.
- (ii) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the President retains discretion, to the extent permitted by the Vacancies Act, to depart from this order in designating an acting Secretary.”

Sec. 2. Executive Order 13362 of November 29, 2004 (“Designation of Additional Officers for the Department of Homeland Security Order of Succession”), is hereby revoked.

George W. Bush

The White House,
August 13, 2007.

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NOTE: This Executive order was published in the *Federal Register* on August 15.

Notice—Continuation of Emergency Regarding Export Control Regulations

August 15, 2007

On August 17, 2001, consistent with the authority provided to me under the Inter-

national Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), I issued Executive Order 13222. In that order, I declared a national emergency with respect to the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States in light of the expiration of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C. App. 2401 *et seq.*). Because the Export Administration Act has not been renewed by the Congress, the national emergency declared on August 17, 2001, must continue in effect beyond August 17, 2007. Therefore, in accordance with section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)), I am continuing for 1 year the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13222.

This notice shall be published in the *Federal Register* and transmitted to the Congress.

George W. Bush

The White House,
August 15, 2007.

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NOTE: This notice was released by the Office of the Press Secretary on August 16, and it was published in the *Federal Register* on August 16.

Letter to Congressional Leaders on Continuation of the National Emergency Regarding Export Control Regulations

August 15, 2007

Dear Madam Speaker: (Dear Mr. President:)

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)), provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice, stating that the emergency caused by the lapse of the Export

Administration Act of 1979, as amended, is to continue in effect for 1 year beyond August 17, 2007.

Sincerely,

George W. Bush

NOTE: Identical letters were sent to Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Richard B. Cheney, President of the Senate. This letter was released by the Office of the Press Secretary on August 16.

Statement on Representative Deborah D. Pryce's Decision Not To Seek Reelection

August 16, 2007

Throughout her congressional career, Deborah Pryce has championed issues that matter to the families of central Ohio. Her commitment to reducing taxes, strengthening our national defense, and reforming our health care system has helped improve the lives of her constituents and made America a more hopeful nation. She has also earned national recognition as a persuasive advocate on behalf of women and children. Based on her strong legislative record and consensus-building skills, Deb's colleagues selected her to lead the House Republican Conference—the highest leadership post ever held by a Republican woman. She will be missed when she departs the Congress.

I look forward to continuing to work with her throughout the remainder of her service. Laura and I appreciate Deb's friendship and wish her and her family all the best.

Executive Order 13443—Facilitation of Hunting Heritage and Wildlife Conservation

August 16, 2007

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this order is to direct Federal agencies that have programs and activities that have a measurable effect on public land management, outdoor recreation, and wildlife management,

including the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, to facilitate the expansion and enhancement of hunting opportunities and the management of game species and their habitat.

Sec. 2. Federal Activities. Federal agencies shall, consistent with agency missions:

(a) Evaluate the effect of agency actions on trends in hunting participation and, where appropriate to address declining trends, implement actions that expand and enhance hunting opportunities for the public;

(b) Consider the economic and recreational values of hunting in agency actions, as appropriate;

(c) Manage wildlife and wildlife habitats on public lands in a manner that expands and enhances hunting opportunities, including through the use of hunting in wildlife management planning;

(d) Work collaboratively with State governments to manage and conserve game species and their habitats in a manner that respects private property rights and State management authority over wildlife resources;

(e) Establish short and long term goals, in cooperation with State and tribal governments, and consistent with agency missions, to foster healthy and productive populations of game species and appropriate opportunities for the public to hunt those species;

(f) Ensure that agency plans and actions consider programs and recommendations of comprehensive planning efforts such as State Wildlife Action Plans, the North American Waterfowl Management Plan, and other range-wide management plans for big game and upland game birds;

(g) Seek the advice of State and tribal fish and wildlife agencies, and, as appropriate, consult with the Sporting Conservation Council and other organizations, with respect to the foregoing Federal activities.

Sec. 3. North American Wildlife Policy Conference. The Chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality (Chairman) shall, in coordination with the appropriate Federal agencies and in consultation with the Sporting Conservation Council and in cooperation with State and tribal fish and wildlife agencies and the public, convene not later than